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(b) what is the total expenditure of the court per year;

(c) what is the total income and expenditure of the court of the District Munsif, Ambasamudram, in 1930; and

(d) whether there has been any protest made against the abolition of the Palamcottah District Munsif's Court, both by the bar and the litigant public?

A.—(a)—

	RS.	A.	P.
1928	28,717	1	0
1929	26,105	4	0
1930	31,254	8	0

(b)—

	RS.	A.	P.
1928	8,473	3	7
1929	9,355	4	2
1930	9,526	8	7

(c)—

Income RS.	A.	P.	Expenditure. RS.	A.	P.
45,080	11	0	22,649	15	0

(d) Yes.

Mr. M. DEVADASAN :—" May I know, Sir, in view of the fact that the income from the District Munsif's Court, Palamcottah, in 1930, was Rs. 31,254 and the expenditure during the period was only Rs. 9,256, whether the Government do not think that the Court should be allowed to continue? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" No, Sir."

Mr. M. DEVADASAN :—" May I ask whether the Government are aware that there was an increase of Rs. 5,000 in the income from court-fees in the year 1930? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" Is it in addition to what is stated here? "

Mr. M. DEVADASAN :—" Yes."

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" The Government are not aware of it."

Mr. M. DEVADASAN :—" Sir, my question is this: in 1929 the income of the Court was Rs. 26,105–4–0 and it rose in 1930 to Rs. 31,254–8–0. So there is an increase of Rs. 5,000 in the shape of court-fees."

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" It is patent from the figures."

Expenditure and income of the Sub-Court at Chittoor.

* 460 *Q.*—Mr. M. A. MANIKKAVELU NAYAKAR : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have scrutinized the statistics of pending work in the Sub-Court at Chittoor, and examined whether its existence is necessary; and

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(*b*) what have been the cost of running the Sub-Court at Chittoor and the income derived by way of court-fees since 1st July last?

A.—(*a*) No.

(*b*) The Government have not the information.

Mr. M. A. MANIKKAVELU NAYAKAR :—" May I know whether the Government will be pleased to call for the information when there is a proposal to abolish one of the courts either in Chittoor or in Vellore? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" There is no such proposal before the Government and therefore there is no need for any enquiry."

Mr. M. A. MANIKKAVELU NAYAKAR :—" Before the High Court? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" I am not aware of it."

Mr. V. M. RAMASWAMI MUDALIYAR :—" Will the Government be pleased to call for the information from the High Court? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" If the High Court have any such proposal, they will send it up to the Government."

Mr. V. M. RAMASWAMI MUDALIYAR :—" Are we to understand that there is no such proposal before the High Court? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" We are not to understand anything."

Mr. V. M. RAMASWAMI MUDALIYAR :—" May I know, Sir, whether any representation has been made to the hon. Member about the non-desirability of abolishing the Vellore District Court? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" I received certain telegrams to the effect that the Vellore District Court should be retained and I told the persons concerned that there was no proposal before the Government to abolish the Vellore District Court."

Mr. M. A. MANIKKAVELU NAYAKAR :—" May I ask the hon. Member whether the statistics in Chittoor and Vellore will be thoroughly examined before any such proposal is entertained? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" I am sure the High Court will do it."

Mr. V. M. RAMASWAMI MUDALIYAR :—" After the matter has passed the stage of consideration by the High Court, will the Government consider the desirability of examining the relevant statistics before passing final orders? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" The High Court can be expected to do all that."

Mr. M. A. MANIKKAVELU NAYAKAR :—" May I ask whether the Government will accept the proposal because the High Court might be recommending it? "

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The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. KRISHNAN NAYAR:—"That will depend upon the strength of the recommendation of the High Court and the state of statistics."

Expenditure and income of the District Court, Chittoor.

* 461 *Q.*—Mr. M. A. MANIKKAVELU NAYAKAR: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have scrutinized the statistics of pending work in the District Judge's Court at Chittoor, and examined whether its existence is necessary; and

(*b*) what have been the cost of running the District Judge's Court at Chittoor and the income derived by way of court-fees since 1st July last?

A.—(*a*) No.

(*b*) The Government have not the information.

Mr. V. M. RAMASWAMI MUDALIYAR:—"May I ask whether information regarding the cost of running the District Judge's Court at Chittoor, cannot be collected?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. KRISHNAN NAYAR:—"As I stated, the High Court will forward all that information to the Government if and when they send their proposal."

Mr. V. M. RAMASWAMI MUDALIYAR:—"When information is desired by hon. Members of this House, will the Government not call for it?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. KRISHNAN NAYAR:—"There is no need for it now."

Proposed abolition of either the District Court of Chittoor or North Arcot.

* 462 *Q.*—Mr. M. A. MANIKKAVELU NAYAKAR: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal either with the Government or the High Court to abolish either the District Court of Chittoor or that of North Arcot;

(*b*) whether the respective District Judges were consulted in the matter; and

(*c*) whether statistics about the civil and criminal work in the respective District Courts were called for and examined?

A.—(*a*) There is no such proposal before the Government and they have no information whether any proposal of the kind is now before the High Court.

(*b*) & (*c*) Do not arise.